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**SECRET***Jeanette*

9 March 1962

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ATTENTION: Dorothy Mark

SUBJECT: Valentin Iosifov.

Please accept my apologies for not following up our telephone conversation and coming over to your office but I was told that your division moved to Langley. No decision has been reached concerning the operational section of the dispatch from Station La Faz that referred to subject, and my interest in him was in the same types. I have told the desk officer concerned of your interest and he will route any traffic your way. Meanwhile here is a summary of the information sent us by Station on subject, who at that time was in ~~Cuba~~ having accompanied the Soviet ~~Special~~ team on U.S.'s tour through Africa in late 1961 as interpreter.

Name: Valentin Iosifov S. Born in Moscow

Profession: Language Professor (interpreter)

Address in Cuba: Embassy of the USSR, Santiago de Cuba, telephone 3-95-44. (NOTE: this makes little sense, since all Embassies are in the capital cities; however, agent said he copied down the names exactly as given by IOSEMOV)

Telephone in Moscow: 8-7-60-42.

2. This information was furnished in RUMA 4926, dated 9 February 1962. Also, as I previously told you, the only RI traces were the RUMA-6803, dated 30 August 1960, reporting him attached to the Soviet Embassy in Havana, Cuba, and about which you said there was nothing further because he had never gone to U.S. but went to Cuba in September 1960 and has been there ever since. I would appreciate an informal summary of your information concerning him and, as I said before, the desk officer will advise you of anything of operational interest that might develop. He had approached a fairly recently recruited agent of Station's offering him an "opportunity to know for himself the reality of Cuba today." This dispatch also is id that the trip's materialization cannot be predicted with any certainty. Again, my apologies.

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